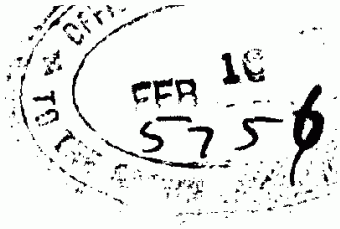

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COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Wednesday,

20th January, 1937.
7th Makaram, 1112.

The Council met in the Council Hall, Ernakulam, at Eleven of the Clock with the Hon'ble the President (Sir Shanmukham Chetty, K. C. I. E.) in the Chair.

Messrs. T. S. Balarama Ayyar, K. T. Mathew, and H. J. Walmesley were absent.

Questions and Answers.

Ambattupalayam School—refusal of entrance on account of non-payment of admission fee.

176. **Mr. A. Eachara Menon** *(Chittur Rural).*— Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether they have known that a boy named P. R. Manickam was refused entrance into the Ambattupalayam school, Chittur, for non-payment of an admission fee of six annas;

(2) whether they have enquired of the ability of his parents to pay the amount;

(3) whether they have not known on enquiry that his father is a cooly earning about 4 annas a day;

(4) whether they have not known if they had enquired that the father had two more children depending upon him?

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Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*— (1) No, as no admission fee is levied in Malayalam Schools.

(2), (3) and (4). Does not arise.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur Rural).*—Is this answer given on the assumption that no admission fee is levied in Malayalam Schools?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*— It is in the Code Rules. It is no assumption.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur Rural).*—Was any enquiry made into this case?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*— No such case came to my notice for enquiry. After the question was received an enquiry was made and no such complaint has come to the notice of the Inspector also.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur Rural).*—Is it a fact that the latter intimated the Head master that the Director of Public Instruction has said in this Council that fees for re-admission only should be collected in Malayalam Schools?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*— In the case of readmission it is a penalty. It is done with a view that no boy or girl leaves the schools before completing the elementary course.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur Rural).*—Whether any enquiry was made as to whether this boy was poor?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*— To the best of my recollection I do not remember to have received any such petition and if all that the Hon'ble Member wants is to make an enquiry into this individual case it may be done.

Admission—Maharaja's College.

177. **Mr. P. C. Varkey** *(Ernakulam North).*— Will the Government be pleased to furnish the following information.—

(a) a caste-war statement of student admissions to the Maharaja's College during the past three years;

(b) the number of non-Cochinite students admitted into the College during the last triennium;

(c) the number of Cochinite applicants denied admission during the same period?

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